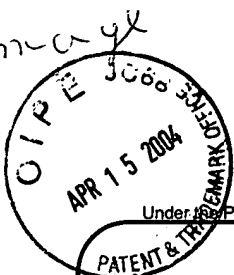


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	Filing Date	August 9, 2001
	First Named Inventor	Trung Tri Doan
	Art Unit	1765
	Examiner Name	R. Kunemund
	Attorney Docket Number	MI22-1372

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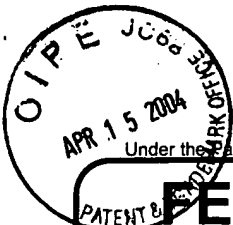
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